

Foster Care FACTS

Based on all children in OOHC on April 6, 2008, Source TWS-W58

Statewide Total

Demographic Indicator	Number	Percent within State
Total Number of children in OOHC with active placements (note E)	7325	
Placed in PCC Foster Homes	2269	31.0
Placed in PCC Residential	1286	17.6
Placed in Relative Placement	484	6.6
Total Number placed in DCBS Foster Homes all types (note A)	2896	39.5
Placed in DCBS Basic and Advanced Foster Homes	2491	34.0
Placed in DCBS Care Plus or Medically Fragile Homes	225	3.1
Placed in DCBS Adoptive Home	180	2.5
Placed in Detention center	42	0.6
Placed in independent living or education setting	123	1.7
Placed in psychiatric hospitals	225	3.1
Placed out of state (note B)	165	2.3
Age at First Entry into Foster Care		
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: Less than 1 year	1185	16.2
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 1 to < 3 years	782	10.7
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 3 to < 6 years	1062	14.5
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 6 to < 12 years	1873	25.6
Age at First Entry into Foster Care: 12 to < 18 years	2423	33.1
Demographics		
African American Children	1524	20.9
Children with a Goal of Adoption	2013	31.5
Children with a Goal of Reunification (note C)	3279	51.3
Children with a Goal of Emancipation	525	8.2
Average Age of Entry into foster care	8.1	
Average Age Now	10.8	
Average # Months in Care at this point in time	24.8	
Average Percent of Life in Care	27.9	
Average Number of Days to reenter for those with any reentry	599.3	
Average Number of Placements this removal episode	3.3	
Cost Data		
Number of Children with Per Diem payments listed	6,172	
Average Cost Per Day for child with Per Diem payments	\$78.60	
Average cost per child for average months in care (note D)	\$59,279.94	

A. Includes DCBS adoptive homes, basic and advanced, medically fragile homes.

B. Includes relative placements, adoptive homes, treatment facilities, and homes just over the border.

C. Other goals include placement with relatives, planned permanent living or the goals have not been determined.

D. Total costs per child will be higher because children in this number have not exited care.

E. Includes 38 Statewide duplicate placements as 'bed held' during hospital, detention or other short term stays.